

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed on June 10, 2010, Applicant submits this Request for Continued Examination (RCE). In this RCE, Applicant has canceled all previously pending claims 1-74 (to the extent that such claims remain pending and were not previously canceled). Allowed claims 71 and 73 are therefore canceled by this RCE. Applicant submits new claims 75-87 for consideration. The new claims are submitted to more distinctly and clearly claim what the Applicant regards as certain embodiments of the present invention and are not introduced to address issues of patentability with regard to the previously pending claims (including the allowed claims).

Support for the amendments is found in FIGs. 1-6 and the associated text (at page 5, l. 4 to page 8, l. 11 of the specification), all of which provide express support for the relative distances that the integrated circuit and support extend from the contact surface.

As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he/she telephone Applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

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If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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